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This will be a tape-recorded interview. Today's date is June 28, 2007 and the approximate time is 1:50 p.m. Arizona time, being done at Roger Hoole's Office. I'm interviewing an individual by the name of [REDACTED]

GE: Patrick would you please state your full name and date of birth?

PJ: My name is [REDACTED] and I was born July 6, 1993.

GE: And where were you born?

PJ: Colorado City.

GE: Colorado City. Were you born up in the Hildale Clinic?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: And after you were born you moved down to 90 West Academy there? Did you know that was your address or are you just nodding your head? Well you lived in Colorado City, right?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: On Academy Street, right you never lived anywhere else?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Well [REDACTED] the reason that I'm doing this interview today is because your mom had called and said that you had some problems back when you were a real young man and so we are going to go ahead and discuss some of these. Now did you know what you were going to be doing when you came here? Did someone tell you that?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Who told you?

PJ: My mom.

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GE: What did she say to you?

PJ: She said that I was coming to do an interview.

GE: Did you want to?

PJ: Sure.

GE: You're okay with it?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Alright, glad to hear it. So your mom is the one that brought you here.

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Do you have any sisters or brothers?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: How many?

PJ: Fifty-four.

GE: Fifty-four sisters and brothers, huh? How about in your immediate family?

PJ: Just my mom and

GE: Seven other or eight other kids?

PJ: Eight.

GE: Eight counting you?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: How many sisters do you have?

PJ: Three.

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GE: Three huh? The rest are brothers?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Do you get along okay with them or just at times.

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Well I'm going to go through a series of questions here [REDACTED] and I want you to feel comfortable with them. In this room you can say whatever you want, okay?

PJ: Uh huh.

GE: And whatever language you feel is appropriate, it's okay to use.

PJ: Alright.

GE: And I just want to feel comfortable here talking, um, this recording is going to be kept private. I will know what it says and my boss the County Attorney will know what it says. Your mother won't know it says. Your sisters won't know what it says, and neither will anybody else, okay?

PJ: Alright.

GE: So in this room we only want to speak truth, that's all that matters here. And, if you don't know something, you don't know something. It's perfectly okay to say I don't know or I don't remember as long as that's the truth. Just kinda going through the rules here so you and I can speak straight, man to man about things. Okay?

PJ: Alright.

GE: And, I'm going to ask you some questions that may or may not have anything to do with what happened to you and I don't want you to feel embarrassed or anything else by them, okay. Going through the process here, one of the questions I will ask you is, do you get good touches? Do you know what good touches are?

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PJ: Mm hmm.

GE: Good touches like your mom hugging and kissing you, stuff like that?

PJ: She doesn't kiss me.

GE: She hugs you?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Is that okay?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Are those good touches?

PJ: Mm hmm.

GE: What about bad touches? Touches in which someone touches you in places you don't like or

PJ: No.

GE: Doesn't happen?

PJ: No.

GE: What would you do if they did?

PJ: I'd beat the crap out of them unless it was a girl and then I'd just tell somebody.

GE: Just tell somebody?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Well even if it was a guy or a man or something like that would you still tell?

PJ: Oh yeah.

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GE: Who would you tell?

PJ: My mom first, yeah, my sisters and brothers.

GE: And anybody on the outside of the family would you feel safe telling?

PJ: Maybe one of my friends.

GE: School teacher anybody like that?

PJ: No.

GE: I understand. So if anybody ever touched you in a place you didn't feel comfortable with then you would tell somebody?

PJ: Oh yeah.

GE: Has anyone ever tried to get you to touch them in an inappropriate way?

PJ: No.

GE: What would you do if they did?

PJ: I'd probably say no.

GE: Would you tell anybody?

PJ: Uh huh.

GE: Who would you tell?

PJ: My mom.

GE: Has anyone ever been physically abusive with you?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Who?

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PJ: My mother Barbara.

GE: Mother Barbara?

PJ: Mm hmm.

GE: And which mother is she in the line up?

PJ: I'm not sure if she's like the third wife. I'm not sure.

GE: What was your mother in that line up?

PJ: I'm not sure.

GE: Okay. So Barbara, who you think was the third wife of your father, Merrill Jessop

PJ: I'm not sure.

GE: She was abusive to you?

PJ: Mm hmm.

GE: Do you know when this happened?

PJ: I was like probably three or four. Well, I had a bunch of experiences with her but this was probably the worst one.

GE: Okay, do you remember all the experiences?

PJ: I don't remember every single one them because some of them weren't as bad as others, but

GE: How many do you think there were?

PJ: Well, I don't even know. There were quite a few.

GE: Four or five, six?

PJ: More than that.

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GE: But there's one in particular that sticks in your mind?

PJ: Oh yeah.

GE: Why don't we talk about that one first.

PJ: Alright.

GE: When did that one happen?

PJ: I was probably four, three. I was just a little kid and we had prayer time, the whole family gathering, and sometimes some people wouldn't come up. I had experiences like that, I'd just fall asleep or something, really tired. My mom wasn't feeling good. I think she was going to have a baby or something. She wasn't feeling very good so she went to sleep. My dad sent me down there to get her. I went down there and I said Father wants you to come up to prayer. And she's like tell him I'm too tired and I don't feel good. So I went upstairs and told my dad she's too tired and doesn't feel good. So he said she shouldn't miss the teachings of the good book, he told my mother Barbara to come with me to go get her.

GE: Your father told her?

PJ: Yes.

GE: Okay.

PJ: Like we went into the jump off room

GE: Where is that at from where you were?

PJ: It's like, the stairs and then there's a hall, and then there's a little bathroom, a washing area and then there's a door.

GE: Okay.

PJ: The living room was across the hall. And, so we just went, I thought we were going to come down the stairs, but we went into the jump off room and then I just

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asked are we going to go down and get mother? And she's like, she didn't say anything, then she grabbed me and just threw me. And, I was on the ground crying and she kicked me in the stomach and grabbed me and threw me again, and pushed me against the bed. I was hurt and stuff, I was crying, so I decided like a half an hour, just calming down and stuff, and prayer is like over at eleven or ten, but we were there until like midnight probably. She calmed me down and made me stop crying and everything, then she just sent me down to my mom's room because that's where I slept when I was little. I just went in there. She wasn't feeling good at all, she was real sick and stuff. I went in the living room, my dad sometimes after prayer he'd sit in there, he was in there. He said [REDACTED] you missed prayers. I just kinda ignored him and walked off. I was crying and stuff. He didn't ask me what was wrong or anything. I wasn't really crying badly but you know but all of that really ticked me off. I went downstairs, when she was calming me down she told me if I told my mom she would do it again and it would be worse. And, so I went down to my mom's room crying, she was clear asleep. I just went to sleep. I didn't tell her until I was like 13.

GE: So did your mother Barbara, did she say anything when she took you into the room?

PJ: Well, I can't really remember most of it, but she said a few things like your mom is an evil person, so

GE: Did she say why she was doing this to you?

PJ: No.

GE: Did she say anything while she was kicking you and throwing you around?

PJ: No.

GE: So she was told to go with you to go down and get your mother?

PJ: Yes.

GE: And instead of going down to go get your mother, she took you across the hall?

PJ: Yeah across the hall and into the wash room and into

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GE: And then she shut the door?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: And did she immediately start hitting you?

PJ: Yeah, right after I asked her, aren't you going to get her? And she grabbed me, I was just a little kid, she grabbed me and threw me.

GE: Okay, so she threw you first?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Did she hit you at all?

PJ: No, she kicked me in the stomach.

GE: Did that hurt?

PJ: Well, yeah I'm pretty sure it did.

GE: Did it hurt you when she threw you?

PJ: Oh yeah.

GE: And how many times did she throw you?

PJ: I can't remember.

GE: And how far did she throw you?

PJ: I don't know, pretty far, maybe five feet.

GE: You think five feet?

PJ: Yeah cause I was just a little kid.

GE: And did it hurt when you hit the ground?

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PJ: Mm hmm.

GE: Were you able to move or get up when she was doing this?

PJ: I could walk down to my Mom's room but that was way after I was all calmed down.

GE: Were you sore?

PJ: Well my mom said I was bruised the next day but I can't remember.

GE: And you said she threatened you?

PJ: She said if you tell your mother, I'll do this again to you.

GE: And so you didn't tell anyone about this.

PJ: I told my brother, Harley, but that was like a day after, and I told him not to tell anybody about it. I don't think he cared about it.

GE: Is he your half brother or full brother?

PJ: He's my half brother.

GE: Is he still in the religion or out?

PJ: Yeah he's in there.

GE: Okay. He's probably down in Texas?

PJ: No.

GE: Where is he at?

PJ: He's working at construction.

GE: With who?

PJ: My brother, Ernie.

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GE: Are they working up around the creek?

PJ: No, they're in Payson, the last I knew.

GE: They're over working in Payson?

PJ: Yeah in Arizona.

GE: So did she ever try to do this to you again?

PJ: I've had other things like she spanked me, pushed me. She had other people spank me. She had my dad to spank me, not really any other people, but yeah.

GE: So she's had you spanked for what reasons?

PJ: Well, for not giving money. One time at home, when your little you work for money, you know, do something for money, all the brothers and they'd give you a dollar or something. And that night I worked, I was about six years old, I worked pretty hard for like two dollars you know, rubbing their feet and stuff. That's just something we always do for money, and I did it for like a half an hour. And the next day I was going to the store and I asked my dad and he's like yeah sure, and Barbara was in there too. And her son Ben, he kinda did whatever he wants because he's her baby, and so I was going to the store, and she says why don't you take Ben along and buy him something. So I'm like no, it's my money. I would have done it but so I had to take him there and buy him what he wanted, didn't really want to. I get back and she says, "don't you have that attitude with me". She was all kind when she was around my dad, you know, with her little soft voice. Then she spanked me and stuff.

GE: Did she ever do anything else besides spank you?

PJ: Well she slapped me a lot.

GE: She slapped you a lot? When did this happen?

PJ: My dad like dressed, if you didn't have your shirt tucked in or hair combed, one time I didn't tuck in my shirt and she asked why, how do you think the lord would

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feel about that and I said I don't think he would care. She slapped on the head and spanked me.

GE: Was Barbara known for being a disciplinarian in the house?

PJ: Yeah, she kinda, well my dad you went to for discipline, but she did it on her own a lot.

GE: Did she ever hit or hurt any of the other kids?

PJ: Oh yeah, everybody.

GE: Have you ever known her to hit your full blood brothers and sisters?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Who?

PJ: Well, like I seen her hit my little brother Andrew but it's not, it's just smacking him for not combing his hair or something.

GE: Did she hurt him?

PJ: Well, he's just little, yeah kinda, not horribly.

GE: How many days did it take you to recuperate from when she was hitting and kicking you around?

PJ: I can't remember.

GE: It really stuck in your mind though that incident, huh?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: So after telling your brother Harley about it, did you tell anybody else?

PJ: No, not until I was 13.

GE: And then who did you tell?

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PJ: My mom, well everybody. I told my brothers and sisters. I started talking about it.

GE: What made you start talking about it then?

PJ: Well, I felt a little bit safer about talking about it.

GE: So you are starting to feel safer now that you are out of the community?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Feeling better about things?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: So after you told your mother, what did she do?

PJ: Well, she told me, "why didn't you tell me that night so I could go and rip her head off?" She's not a mean person but she said if she would of heard about it that night, if I would have told her. She said, "I'm really surprised you didn't tell me, I probably would have went and just killed her."

GE: What do you think the reason is that you didn't tell your mom that night?

PJ: Well, because I didn't want to get beat up again.

GE: She would have just waited until your mother wasn't home?

PJ: Yeah because my mom worked at my dad's office or something.

GE: Are there any other incidents that you can think of?

PJ: Just spankings and stuff.

GE: What kind of spankings? With the hand, with a belt?

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PJ: Well one time she was taking pictures of the kids and I was being a little asshole and jumped in a couple times and she got mad. She never, she didn't use a brush, she had it, took me outside on the deck and spanked me.

GE: So, no other times like the one time where she kicked or hit you, and punched you or anything like that?

PJ: Well she smacked me a lot.

GE: She smacked you a lot?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: What were you doing when you got smacked?

PJ: I don't know. I was just sitting at a door, I couldn't do anything about it. I said don't smack me and I'd get it worse.

GE: What were you doing that made her want to smack you?

PJ: Well I don't know, probably wrestling and stuff. I beat up Ben a couple times you know. I didn't do anything serious to him but I just made him cry. She gets mad and comes out there and

GE: Why would she get mad about that?

PJ: Well because she was younger than me and I was hurting him. I know it's not right and everything, but he was a crybaby too. He got whatever he wanted.

GE: He is her son?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Do you know anything about any of the other kids having any problems with being touched inappropriately by brothers or anybody else.

PJ: Well all I had heard was about [REDACTED] and my sister Maryann, but that's just what I got from both of my sisters.

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GE: Do you think Maryann would talk to me?

PJ: No.

GE: Where do you think she is?

PJ: Texas.

GE: Down in Texas at the WFC ranch?

PJ: Exactly.

GE: With your father?

PJ: Yeah. I talked to them on the phone like last summer.

GE: Oh did you?

PJ: Yeah. I talked to her for like five second but yeah

GE: That's all she got to talk, huh?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: She's not allowed to call you anymore?

PJ: Well, I just talked to my dad once and she was there and he said "do you want to talk to Maryann?" And I was like yeah sure.

GE: So you know for sure she's there?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Do you know for sure that Daniel is there?

PJ: Oh, yeah he's there.

GE: How do you know that?

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PJ: Well I've seen him on the media and everybody says he is. If he's not there then he's probably at some other post, but I know that's where he is.

GE: So the last place that you knew for sure he was, was down there?

PJ: Oh yeah.

GE: Is there anything that I haven't asked you that you think that maybe I should know about?

PJ: I don't know, have any other mothers abused you?

GE: Have any other mothers abused you?

PJ: Not really, you know, I've had experiences but I kinda deserved it a little bit. One time I stopped in on one of my mothers, me and my brother, we stole ten bucks from her, and she wasn't very happy about it, slipped in the room and just smacked the crap out of us.

GE: Did she leave marks on you?

PJ: No. She just, you know, hit me.

GE: What do you think about that?

PJ: Well I shouldn't have stole ten bucks from her.

GE: Anything else?

PJ: No.

GE: Was your father ever abusive to you?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Tell me about that.

PJ: Well after he had one surgery, a little bit before, well he was sick, me and Ben and Harley were playing with a ball. We were throwing it around the house and

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mother Barbara always put pictures up of the whole family, she took pictures and put them up on the wall. We were throwing the ball and then Ben threw it at the wall and I tried to knock it down and my back hit a picture and broke it, fell off the wall and broke it. So she took me into my dad and my dad, did not feel good and was not in the mood for it, he just spanked me and kicked me.

GE: Did he spank you with his hand?

PJ: Yeah and then kicked me. He just wasn't feeling good. That's what the boys would do, they'd kick you, they wouldn't spank you.

GE: Where did he kick you?

PJ: In the butt.

GE: Did he kick you hard?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: Did he leave any marks that you know of?

PJ: No.

GE: Did it knock you down?

PJ: No because he had my shoulder.

GE: So how does that work then? If he holds on to your shoulder, how does he kick you?

PJ: Flops me around a little bit.

GE: So it take you off of your feet?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: So that's a pretty hard kick then.

PJ: Yeah.

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GE: Did it make your back hurt or anything like that?

PJ: No, it didn't make my back hurt, but it made my butt hurt.

GE: How often would he do that?

PJ: Well he did it a couple time when I got in trouble but he'd never do it to me when I was a little kid, he just did it when I got to be six and seven.

GE: About when was that do you know?

PJ: Well when I was six or seven.

GE: When you were six or seven?

PJ: Yeah.

GE: So

PJ: Just in between there, the younger you were the more the boys would discipline you.

GE: So your older brothers would discipline you then?

PJ: It was up to my dad, my older brothers would do it, my dad was gone a lot because he was a business man, so if the mothers would need someone to discipline us, the boys would do it.

GE: What did your dad say after he did that?

PJ: Well he'd have a talk with you, I can't really remember. Half the time I wanted to hit him in the face so, I don't know.

GE: Did you feel he deserved that?

PJ: Hitting him in the face?

GE: No did you feel you deserved being kicked like that?

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PJ: No cause it really wasn't my fault. She could have said please don't throw the ball in the house. Ben didn't get anything, he just had to sit around being a witness.

GE: Were you not one of your dad's favorites?

PJ: Well you know we had our good moments and stuff but I don't think I was.

GE: Did you have much to do with him because he was gone so much?

PJ: I went on trips with him and stuff, but I didn't have a whole lot to do with him.

GE: So you probably never got the attention that you would have liked to have gotten?

PJ: I don't know. I had a lot of brothers and sisters, so I got quite a lot of attention, but

GE: Well can you think of anything else?

PJ: Not really.

GE: Well I want to thank you for taking the time to come in here and talk to me. I really do appreciate it.

PJ: No problem.

GE: I'll give you my card so if you ever do have something you want to talk to me about, you can just call me.

PJ: Alrighty.

GE: You see the phone numbers on there, the cell phone is best number to reach me at because I kinda move around quite a bit.

PJ: Alright.

GE: But my office, you know where my office is right down there in Colorado City?

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PJ: No.

GE: You know where the community college is?

PJ: No.

GE: On Central?

PJ: Yeah I know where it's at.

GE: Okay, I'm just on the other side of the community college building. I've been there for three years. You've been gone since then.

PJ: Yeah.

GE: I don't know if you've been back but I've been there for three years so I kind of understand the community a little bit. I understand where you're coming from. Again, if there is anything I can do, let me know.

PJ: Okay.

GE: Thanks again for talking to me.

PJ: Alright.